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## TROPICO Mercantile Co.

THOSE WHO LIVE on the mountain have a longer day than those who live in the valley. Sometimes all we need to brighten our day is to rise a little higher.

**BUTTER! BUTTER!** Remember every article we sell is of real quality—the quality to buy. Such is our Imperial Creamery Butter on sale Friday and Saturday in 1-lb. squares at 30c.

Grape Fruit! the seedless kind; fine fruit, 3 for 10c

**BROWNIE CORN FLAKES!** Oven baked, made from quality corn, 2 large pkgs. for 15c

Canned Shrimps of delicious flavor, 2 cans for 25c.

**APPLIES!** Fancy 4-tier fruit from the celebrated Pajaro valley. 7 lbs for ..... 25c 40-lb. boxes for ..... \$1.25

**WHITE LAUNDRY SOAP!** It's Ox Gall brand—regular 5c a bar; our price, 7 bars for 25c.

Proctor and Gamble's Lenox Soap, 7 bars for 25c. Monkey Scouring Soap, 5 bars for 25c.

Swifts Pride Cleanser, 2 for 15c

Bob White Soap, 6 bars for 25c.

**CAKE SPECIAL SATURDAY!** Temptingly made from quality products. There will be Nut Cakes, Chocolate Cakes, Caramel Cakes and Pound Cakes, only 25c each.

**COFFEE** is a special feature of our business. We are giving you big Quality Cup Values in our T. M. C. Blends. They are hard to beat—try them. T. M. C. No. 1 is our best grade; 35c lb.; 3 lbs. for \$1.00. T. M. C. No. 2 is a full cup value, 30c lb. T. M. C. No. 3 is a dependable blend, 25c lb.

**KIPPERED ALBACORE!** A delicious appetizing smoked fish, 15c lb.

**POTATOES!** Nice smooth northern Burbanks—good cookers, FREE from worms or dry rot. 12 lbs. for 25c.

By the sack, \$1.80 per 100 lbs.

**FANCY SWEET POTATOES,** 10 lbs. for ..... 25c

Japanese Head Rice, 6 lbs for ..... 25c

Southern Head Rice, 4 lbs for ..... 25c

Fancy Head Rice, 3 lbs. for ..... 25c

Pink Beans, 5 lbs. for ..... 25c

White Beans, 5 lbs. for ..... 25c

Macaroni, 4 lbs. for ..... 25c

Doles Pineapple Juice, 25c bottle

Try Lily Flour. It's a dependable quality. 50-lb. sack ..... \$1.50 25-lb. sack ..... 80c

1 bunch Carrots, 1 bunch Turnips, 1 bunch Beets, the 3 for 10c.

Bradford Bread "Red Seal" is a 28-oz. loaf for 10c. Try it.

Barrel Ginger Snaps for 25c.

Beechnut Bacon. You can't mistake the flavor, 35c jar.

Beechnut Sliced Beef, 30c jar.

Beechnut Peanut Butter is delicious, 30c jar.

We carry a complete line of fresh vegetables and fruits, priced low.

**IF YOU ARE NOT** trading with us, we solicit an opportunity to demonstrate the efficiency of our service, the quality of our goods, and economy of our prices.

**Tropico Mercantile Co.**  
Corner Central Avenue and San Fernando Road

Telephones

Glendale 19 Home 524

### PERSONAL AND LOCAL

Call at the City Hall and get house numbers.

E. L. Young, the Tropico Stove & Light Co., has house numbers for sale.

Mrs. O. W. Lehmer, of Merced, Cal., is nursing her mother, Mrs. M. M. Eshelman, who is convalescing slowly.

O. E. Burch, at the Sentinel office, is agent for the Coast Outfitting Company for ladies' and gents' clothing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Harris, of Hutchinson, Kansas, are the house guests of their son, the Tropico barber, J. H. Harris.

H. E. Chandler, the roofing contractor, who has been up north for some time on a big job of roofing, is home for a few days.

Mrs. Susie Miller Peck, and family, have taken up their residence at the Elias place, corner of Tropico avenue and Brand boulevard.

Tropico's school board and board of trustees are all in favor of becoming a part of Los Angeles at the earliest practicable moment.

We sharpen lawn mowers and scissors, file saws and do general repairing. Pioneer Repair Shop, 115 So. San Fernando Road, Sunset 292-J.

Mr. L. J. Spafford, late of Los Angeles, is among the many who are seeking homesites in Tropico. He likes the looks of things out here.

Robert Devine, one of Tropico's staunchest and most steadfast, clear-sighted and far-seeing friends, is an active and ardent supporter of going into Los Angeles.

The subjects of Reverend C. B. Hatch's sermons at the Presbyterian church on Sunday next will be in the morning: "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow." In the evening: "Do Your Best."

H. W. Augustus, formerly of Hutchinson, Kan., has accepted a position with the Tropico Stove & Light Company. Mr. Augustus comes to Tropico highly recommended for the position he is now occupying.

Miss Emilie Hatch has so far recovered the use of her injured limb as to get about on it and has gone for a few weeks' visit to her sister, Mrs. Grayson Merrill in her lovely new home in Washington Heights Park.

A communication from Mr. N. C. Burch was read and referred to.

A Committee on Consolidation consisting of Messers. A. C. Bancroft, H. G. Pettit, Parge, and Geo. H. Friedgen. The communication is as follows:

Tropico, Cal., Sept. 29, 1911.

M. M. ESHELMAN,  
President Tropico Chamber of  
Commerce.

Revival services are being held in the Church of the Brethren, Park and Glendale avenues. Rev. G. G. Lehmer, of Los Angeles is conducting the exercises. These meetings will continue indefinitely, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The usual love feast or ordinances will be observed Saturday evening.

In Mr. John H. Adair, the business circles of Tropico are favored with a most efficient accessory, as is made manifest by the vigorous way in which he goes to work to establish a thoroughly equipped livery stable, express and transfer service. See his display ad announcement elsewhere in the Sentinel.

**THEATER PARTY**

Mrs. Samuel A. Pollock entertained with a theater party at the Burbank Friday evening, complimentary to Mrs. Alfred Engelhardt, who leaves shortly for Brawley. After witnessing the performance of "Romeo and Juliet," Mrs. Pollock and her guests were entertained at luncheon by Mrs. James L. Fishback, at the home of Mrs. Fishback on Park avenue.

Mrs. Pollock's theater guests included Mrs. Alfred Engelhardt, Mrs. David H. Imler, Mrs. J. E. Shuey, Mrs. Mary Nisbet, Mrs. James L. Fishback, Mrs. David Wheeler Nall and Miss Cora Hickman.

### TROPICO CLEAN-UP DAY

Weeds and Rubbish Doomed to Destruction Saturday, October 7, From 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.

The citizens of Tropico are invited to meet at the junction of Park avenue and Brand boulevard at the time designated, with hoes, shovels, rakes and forks for the purpose of helping in the work of cleaning up all untidy and unsightly places on the streets, avenues, parkways and boulevards, and wherever possible, burn the trash.

The City has been divided into four parts, Park avenue and Brand boulevard being the dividing lines.

The northeast section will be under the direction of Mr. C. H. Cushing.

The southeast section will be under the direction of Mr. W. B. Pratt.

The northwest section will be under the direction of Mr. Geo. H. Friedgen.

The southwest section will be under the direction of Mr. Andy Stephenson.

Mr. Daniel Webster will have general charge.

It will be of no serious harm to the best interests of the city, if owners of home places see that their front and rear yards are neatly cleaned up.

Now, fellow citizens, let there be prompt response to this earnest invitation to do this worthy work, and hearty co-operation in putting into its best dress, with a clean face, shining looks.

If it happens the water melon season has not closed by October 7, the workers are promised the privilege of luxuriating in the lusciousness thereof that Mr. Pierre Gabaig is expected to furnish.

By order of Tropico Chamber of Commerce.

M. M. ESHELMAN, President

F. H. DAVIS, Secretary.

### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NOTES

The Tropico Chamber of Commerce, in recognition of the importance of having the co-operation of the Northwest Improvement Association, of the city of Los Angeles, in securing certain improvements in the territory within the limits of that city, contiguous to Tropico on the west, has appointed Mr. Charles H. Cushing a committee of one to attend a meeting of the members of that association and confer with them in regard thereto.

The city of Tropico is interested in having Los Angeles neighborly, at least.

Messers. Bancroft, Street and Cushing were appointed a committee to interview the Los Angeles city council in behalf of opening Park avenue and a bridge across the river into Griffith park.

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Dear sir:—The communities to the south of us are very much disappoined over the result of the annexation election of a week ago which defeated their going into Los Angeles by the narrow margin of 12, votes in districts outside their own, and they are now casting about for other means of yet accomplishing that end. They have been informed that Los Angeles will entertain no proposition for annexation from a territory of so limited extent as is theirs; but that if they can bring about annexation to the cities of Eagle Rock and Tropico and unity of action between the two cities, the latter city will promptly entertain the proposition.

At all events I suggest the appointment of a committee to have a conference with Mr. Steele and others who have charge of or are leading in these annexation and consolidation matters in regard to the proposition and report.

It is quite important that Tropico know what is going on in this connection and be in the front rank of any movement for betterment of civic conditions.

Very truly,

N. C. BURCH,

The secretary was instructed to prepare a memorial of the Chamber of Commerce to the Tropico Board of Trustees for an additional grammar school building to be located in the northernly part of the city.

### TRUSTEES' MEETING

At the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico, Thursday evening, September 28, all the members of the board, except Trustee Hobbs, and all the city officers were present.

City Clerk Street laid before the board the following communication.

To the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico, Cal.

Gentlemen:

The Glendale Light and Power Company will furnish light to the City of Tropico for the purpose of illuminating its streets at the following rates:

\$1.00 per month for each light used, capacity to be 40 Watt Tungsten, and globes to be paid for by the city of Tropico. It is, also, to be a moonlight schedule.

Provided the city of Tropico will pay for all poles, wires, transformers and the construction of same.

GLENDALE LIGHT & POWER CO.

By A. Campbell, Supt.

The resolution was referred to the Special Committee on Electric Lighting with instructions to ascertain the cost of the poles, wires and transformers necessary for complete equipment for city lighting purposes, and to have the city attorney prepare an ordinance providing for raising the funds required for the installation of same.

Resolution No. 27 was read and adopted as follows:

That the name of that portion of Eleventh street running from Columbus avenue to Central avenue shall be, and is, hereby changed to Paloma avenue instead of said name or Eleventh street.

Also that the name of the certain street now known and designated as Home court, running west from Brand boulevard and lying between Park avenue on the south and that certain street heretofore designated as tenth street on the north; and also that portion of eleventh street running from Brand boulevard to Glendale avenue and also all that portion of Tenth street running from Glendale avenue to the east line of Adams street, shall be, and the same are hereby changed to Acacia avenue, instead of said respective names of Home court, Eleventh street and Tenth street, as above described.

Resolution No. 28 adopting special specifications of street work on Park avenue were read and adopted.

Resolution No. 29, adopting map of Park avenue, with profile of grade of same submitted by the city Engineer read and adopted.

Resolution of Intention No. 30 of the Board of Trustees of the city of Tropico, declaring its intention to improve a portion of Park avenue, read and adopted.

The bid of F. R. Sinclair for material and labor on the improvement of Central avenue, was accepted and the contract therefore awarded as follows:

Grading, per linear foot, 18 cents.

Oiling an stamping, 2½ cents.

Curb, per linear foot of cement curb, 24 cents.

Sidewalks, per square foot of sidewalk, 8¾ cents.

Mrs. Alice Harden and her daughter, Grace, of Walla Walla, Wash., are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. C. Melrose and family. Mrs. Harden and Mrs. Melrose were friends and companions in their girlhood days in their old home town of Elwood, Indiana.

### POPULAR COUPLE

Are Married In Automobile

Love at sight. A few days' acquaintance, with an automobile trip to Mojave, resulted in the happy marriage last Sunday a week ago, of Miss Mabelle Kingsley, of Tropico, to Mr. C. C. Burt of Ventura. The ceremony was performed in the big touring car owned by Mr. Burt.

Mrs. Burt was one of the pretty and popular belles of Tropico, having resided here for the past five years with her mother, Mrs. Winnibrenner. Mr. Burt, the groom, is prominently identified with the real estate interests of Glendale.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt are located at the Belvedere Hotel, in Los Angeles, where they will be glad to receive their many friends who wish them all the happiness and success that may come to them.

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## VALUABLE WORK

By the Los Angeles Graded Union of Sunday School Teachers

"Build today," then, strong and sure. With a firm and ample base, And ascending, and secure, Shall tomorrow take its place.

Organized effort for the promotion and growth of Sunday school work is not so new as is generally supposed. In less than five years after Robert Raile's first school was opened in 1780, several societies had been organized in America. Without reference to some private schools, Sunday school union grew in 1824. The country in 1791. The Philadelphia Sunday school union was organized in 1817, and from this the American Sunday school union grew in 1824. The first national convention was held in New York city in 1832. The first county Sunday school convention recorded was held in Scott county, Ill., in 1846 under the leadership of Stephen Paxson.

The first record of a gathering of primary teachers for mutual improvement was in February, 1870 at Newark, N. J. held in St. Paul's M. E. church. Also in February, 1871, a similar organization was formed in the city of New York.

In April, 1879, in the Y. M. C. A. building in Philadelphia, was organized the first Primary Teachers Union.

In September, 1891, but forty primary unions had been organized. However, a good start had been made, as most of these were large unions in prominent centers of the country. Los Angeles was not slow to unfurl the banner, accordingly on July 2, 1892, the Primary Teachers' Union was organized in the old Fort Street M. E. church. Mrs. C. A. Baskerville was elected president and for ten years was the presiding officer, under whose fostering care and wise supervision was created the beginning of this splendid organization now known as the Los Angeles Graded Union of Sunday school teachers which boasts the distinction of the leader in America for membership.

The Sunday school cause knows no retreat. Ours is an advancing cause. We have reached a Bible-loving, Bible-studying and Bible-teaching age, the success of which may be attributed to the aggressive forces at work along the lines of the Sunday school movement. This is an advancing age and there is great reason to rejoice that in this progressive work the church is keeping pace with the spirit of the times. Its champions are going forth as "strong men rejoicing to run a race." History records no such golden opportunity as ours, nor tells of such magnificent possibilities, nor an age so prolific of noble achievements.

More than 200 enthusiastic Christian teachers were present at the last Wednesday all-day session of the L. A. G. U. This being the annual institute and rally day, an especially interesting program was prepared for this occasion.

The morning devotions, conducted by the Rev. J. Herbert Weaver, bought an inspiring message to all. The quartet sang "Press Onward" and "Send the Light" to an appreciative audience. The study of the lesson in each section was by specially prepared, competent teachers. The cafeteria luncheon served at the noon hour, was most enjoyable. The afternoon session was devoted to brief reports from the delegates to the International Sunday school convention, held at San Francisco in June. Topics were assigned covering every phase of the convention work. Responses were made by Mesdames C. A. Baskerville, A. O. Hayes, M. A. Harris, Fosdick, Show, C. H. Noll, Alice Brouwer, G. A. Crouch, Bassford, Gleason, Clara Hermon, with final closing remarks by Rev. Chas. H. Seccombe who congratulated himself upon having the greatest honor ever conferred upon man—that of having the last word.

At this time occurred the annual

election of officers, as follows:

President, Miss Meme Brockway; vice-president, Mrs. A. Gentry; secretary, Miss Alice Brouwer; treasurer, Mrs. J. E. Ward; Librarian, Mrs. Frank Childs; press correspondent, Mrs. Frank P. Gray; state representative, Mrs. C. A. Baskerville; corresponding secretary, Miss Anna Clarke.

The vice-presidents elected for each section were: Adult vice-president, Mrs. Ada Bryant; intermediate graded, Mrs. A. W. Huskins; uniform graded, Mrs. A. Hornby; junior graded, Mrs. C. Bassford; junior, 3rd year, Mrs. L. Withey; primary graded, Mrs. A. L. Dennis; beginners, Mrs. E. L. Dundas.

With such an efficient corps of workers, and a membership of 350 trained teachers, this organization is alive to the work before it, and fully realizes we confront a year of glorious possibilities and mighty responsibilities. For the fourth year Miss Meme Brockway has been elected to lead this organized body, and as in the past our high aims have been crowned with success, we feel confident of future victory under such a leader.

Let us rally around the standard holding it aloft still higher. Let us reconsecrate ourselves anew to His service "whose we are and whom we serve." We have but a moment for a backward glance over the work of the past year. The full record can be found only in the Great Book of Life where we can best leave the results in His hands. Let us go forward with His unchanging word until this restless world shall learn that there is one thing "that abideth forever." Let us press onward in His name, holding forth the Word of Life which is able to make wise unto salvation, every soul entrusted to our care.

Dear fellow teacher, the best possession we hold on earth is our Bible. "We search the world for truth; we call the good, the pure, the beautiful From graven stone and written scroll, From all the old flower fields of the soul;

And, weary, seekers of the best, We come back laden from our quest To find that all the sages said, This is the Book our mother read."

MRS. FRANK P. GRAY,  
Press Correspondent.

## DETROIT AND LOS ANGELES

It is so absurd for the Detroit Free Press to say that Los Angeles' growth in manufacturing is due to the San Francisco earthquake, that the error is hardly worthy of correction. A correspondent writing to the "Tribunal" today, properly resents the statement. If any manufacturing came here as a direct result of the disaster, it was almost negligible in quantity.

What the Free Press says—assuming the figures to be correct—is really more of a tribute to this city than to Detroit. The swift and wonderful expansion of the automobile industry, Detroit's mainstay, put that city in the lead in proportionate manufacturing gain. Giving it all due credit, the growth was largely fortuitous and lucky, which is not to deny that Detroit is a great enterprising and beautiful city.

The figures quoted are, however, a better tribute to Los Angeles. To be second even to Detroit in manufacturing growth, and ahead of Cleveland, is no mean distinction, of course. But Detroit would hardly deny that the manufacturing growth here has been more evenly distributed than there, and hence is more normal and healthy. And it is not to be forgotten that while the eastern cities have been long years laying the foundation to their industrial eminence, what we have here is the result of but a couple of decades of effort.—The Tribune.

## SUGGEST EXHIBIT

## Of Old French Machinery

Congressman J. R. Knowland has made the novel suggestion of exhib-

iting some of the old French machinery used at the time the French Government attempted to make the waterway between the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. "The thought has occurred to me," said Knowland, "that it might be an excellent plan to have at our exposition an exhibit of some of the old French machinery. There are tons upon tons all along the line of the canal, much of which is being sent to the United States to be sold as old iron. What would be of particular interest are the old French bucket excavators, the small French locomotives, and the tiny dump cars.

Though hard materials generally are better conductors of sound than soft, it has been found that a glass wall will impede sound more effectively.

A Pennsylvania man has patented a hammer, the head of which folds into the handle for convenience in carrying.

A flat rubber tube, capped at each end as is a water bottle, has been devised for surgeons to use as a hot water bandage.

## OPPORTUNITY COLUMN

FOR SALE CHEAP—100 one-year-old White Rock hens, and 150 April-hatched White Rock pullets. T. L. Gillespie, Box 104, R. F. D. No. 5, Los Angeles, Cal.

FOR SALE—A 1 Roll Top Desk and two chairs at a bargain. Call at Tropico Hotel. Mrs. Johnson, prop.

FOR SALE—Large assortment of house numbers at the Tropico Stove & Light Co., E. L. Young, prop. Sunset phone, 292-J. 115 So. San Fernando road.

WANTED—Second-hand heating or cooking stove. Large fire-box, 1421 Cypress street. Call at City Hall and get your house numbers.

WANTED—Man to cut blue gum trees. Call at Sentinel office. Phone Glendale 24-R.

Trade with the Davis Grocery Co. Pay cash and save money.

FOR SALE—Five-room house with bath, gas and two lots; size, 160 by 160. Also Edison phonograph with 85 records, price \$12. Inquire P. Yesle, corner Tropico and San Fernando road.

FOR SALE—Three-piece parlor set, iron bed, box spring, cotton mattress. Small sewing rocker, all in fine condition. (Your price.) 1234 Palmer avenue.

SUNDAYS  
Call at 1635 West Vine street, near San Fernando road, for your ice, and don't forget it. No Sunday delivery. Tropico Ice and Express. H. G. Van Meter, proprietor.

\$1.25 per word inserts classified ads in 36 leading papers in U. S. Send for list. The Dake Advertising Agency, 432 S. Main St., Los Angeles, or 12 Geary St., San Francisco.

Money to loan on good security. Inquire of J. E. Shuey, City Hall, Tropico. Phone, Glendale 24-R.

FOR SALE—Good Studebaker wagon, horse, farming implements, young turkeys. Cook's ranch, San Fernando road, Tropico. Phone, 278-J.

Wanted—Girls at the factory of the Los Angeles Basket Company. Phone Glendale 149-R. Home, Glendale 434.

FOR RENT—Large hall over Tropico Mercantile, corner San Fernando and Central. Suitable for lectures, musical entertainments, banquets and dances. See O. E. Burch. Phone, Sun-set 24-R.

## ATTENTION!

## NORMAL INSTRUCTORS!

It may interest you to know that we are conducting a special course of penmanship for normal instructors, who desire to acquire a free, graceful, and practical manner of writing.

Reasonable rates and sure results.

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Sunset Phone 521-R

1439 San Fernando Rd., Tropico, Cal.

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## WHERE ENGLAND IS SENSITIVE

Lord Charles Beresford made an astonishing assertion when he declared at Vancouver yesterday: "I believe that if reciprocity had been carried it would have been the beginning of the end of the British empire as a whole." This language from so eminent a Britisher probably presents the view held by many Englishmen who are not so free in expressing it. There is little doubt that in Great Britain the election in Canada was largely regarded as a test of the Dominion's loyalty to the mother country. By American's, however, that view is almost incomprehensible.

It is true that in both Canada and the United States an annexationist may be found occasionally. But he is usually without influence. Not uncommonly he is a mere notoriety seeker who wishes to say something that will direct attention to himself and cause people to talk about him.

In this country that type of annexationist is usually some member of the house of representatives who would achieve by jingoism the newspaper publicity that is not to be gained by sticking to the congressional text. And in both countries the advocates of annexation are so few and harmless that it seems strange that they could give England the shivers.

Besides the United States and Canada made trial of reciprocity from 1854 to 1866, and when they abandoned it they were not so good friends as when they entered into it. It did not draw them together politically, and any bond that may have been created by it between them was not sufficient to prevent animosities growing out of the civil war in this country.

The tension in England over the Canadian election appears to have been unwarranted. It is a striking illustration, however, of England's sensitiveness on the subject of the integrity of the British empire.—San Diego Union.

## WORK FOR THE SCIENTISTS

Making gasoline "fool-proof," so that it may be poured from one tank to another without fear of explosion, has been accomplished. The German scientist who has just given an exhibition of his invention shows that he can handle the liquid with as much safety as though it were common water, and very common water at that. Now let the scientists go to work and make the hired girl "fool-proof." When that is done there will be fewer fatalities from exploding kitchen ranges.

## STOPPING THE COINAGE OF GOLD

Uncle Sam has a billion dollars in gold in his coffers, and he will coin no more of the precious metal for twenty years. This is the reason why some of the mints are closed and the output of others restricted. The new policy of issuing certificates against bullion has already saved the government a large sum; moreover, the people prefer paper money to coin. As bullion is used for export, the mints are now running off only silver coins and pennies.

Uncle Sam buys gold at the rate of \$120,000,000 a year, so that when it is time for him to begin anew the coining of the yellow metal he will have close to three and a half billions on hand.

And that is a sum that any one of us would be proud to possess.

## COST OF LIVING IN JAPAN

Every item of our everyday life is as costly in Japan as in Europe or America. A respectable looking three-story house can be rented in London at 30 pounds a year, while the same money can rent only a wretched cottage in Toookio. Bread, meat, milk, electricity, gas, perhaps with the exception of eggs, nothing is cheaper in Japan. It costs far more to run a house in Tokio than in London. Then why are the wages and salaries lower in our country? Because of misuse of labor and overabundance of laborers. What the Europeans move with the derrick we let men and women carry on their shoulders; so necessarily a great number of them must be paid for.

## VOCATIONAL TRAINING'S DANGER

Los Angeles opened its first technical school a few days ago. The capacity of the school is limited and many young people of both sexes stood in line all night to make sure of gaining admission. If this eagerness is an evidence of real desire and aptitude for thorough preparation for the industries, it is a fine thing. But if these boys and girls regard the technical school as a sure road to making a living, they will find the same disappointments there as in the older institutions of the public school system. The great danger to vocational training lies in the fact that immature judgment in the choice of it may lead to failures that will be charged wrongfully to the system.

—Rochester Post-Express.

## PURE FOOD LAWS IN WILEY'S HANDS FOR ENFORCEMENT

WASHINGTON—The reorganization of the department of agriculture began this week. Full authority to enforce the pure food and drug laws is to be vested in Dr. Harvey W. Wiley. George P. McCabe, solicitor, and Dr. Fred Dunlap, assistant chemist, both of whom attempted to drive Wiley out of the government service, are to be shorn of their power. The Remsen board, which overruled Wiley in the benzene of soda case, will go out of business at the end of the fiscal year.

This is the program mapped out in accordance with President Taft's decision that Wiley should not be asked to resign and that there should be a thorough reorganization.

Secretary Wilson returned to Washington two days ago, and while he refused to discuss the matter, it is known that he came back to Washington prepared to take drastic action with a view to stopping the public clamor.

The first indication of the impending changes came last week when James Wilson, Jr., son of the secretary, resigned as private secretary to his father. Young Wilson, who worked with McCabe and Dunlap against Dr. Wiley, decided to quit the department while in the west with his father.

It is not yet definitely decided whether McCabe and Dunlap will be asked to resign. The decision as to the future in the department will await the president's return from the west. It was intimated today that McCabe would be let out and that Dunlap would be retained in a subordinate capacity.

The reorganization plans contemplate revoking the various orders which deprived the bureau of chemistry of all power to prosecute violations of the law. This power, which now rests in McCabe, is to be given to Wiley without reservation. This will be in accordance with the suggestion made by Wiley himself when he was before the house investigating committee giving the bureau the right to prosecute its discovery of the violations of the law and it will put an end to the farcical manner in which these cases have been handled for several years.

Dr. Wiley has had such widespread support from the public that the administration can no longer ignore the demand that his bureau be again given the authority which the pure food law intended it should have. The disposition of the Remsen board will be a simple matter. The plan is to have the house committee on agriculture refuse another appropriation for this board. This would automatically end its career of censorship on the bureau of chemistry.

Secretary Wilson, while willing to remedy the conditions, which amount to a public scandal, has no intention of resigning. He desires to remain in the cabinet until the end of the Taft administration and will not voluntarily quit the public service.

## COUNTING THE STARS

A tremendous task, that of counting the stars up to the nineteenth magnitude, has been undertaken by the Dutch astronomer, Prof. Kapteyn, who has collected all the material furnished by the most recent discoveries, notably those from the American observatories.

Stars of less size than the fourteenth magnitude are round in millions in the milky way, and the work of counting them from photographic plates can best be described as similar to counting blood corpuscles under a microscope. Prof. Kapteyn places the total at 842,000,000 stars, the average being 20,400 stars to the square degree of the heavens. He has further calculated that the total light emanating from all the stars is equal to 2384 times the luminosity of a star of the first magnitude.

According to the Dutch scientist, the boundaries of the universe, as far as human science has been able to penetrate, extend to 32,000 light years.

## OREGON'S WAY THE BEST

In California the two dozen proposed amendments to the constitution, with the arguments pro and con, have been printed on both sides of a big blanket sheet, in a form about as inconvenient, discouraging and uninviting as could have been devised. It is certain that, so presented, comparatively few voters will give them much attention.

The pamphlet plan of publication, on the other hand, conduces to reading, study and discussion. That is the experience of Oregon, where the pamphlets are said to be in great demand and to receive close scrutiny among intelligent electors.

## HARDLY A "PERFECT" LAW

When before in the long history of the United States was it ever necessary for her foremost business men to go to the nation's chief prosecutor

to learn how they shall conduct their affairs? When before was there ever such uncertainty and distrust as to the interpretation and the application of a federal law? If, as apologists for the oil and the tobacco decisions have repeatedly assured the country since last May, those ruling by the court of last resort "cleared the air" and told the business world just where it was "at," why do attorneys for the International Harvester company—presumably the best talent and the highest training that the company's vast resources can secure—find it necessary to go before the attorney general of the United States and ask him, "What are we to do, what does this law mean, how are we to obey it, just what will you regard as violations of it?"—New York Commercial.

It is suggested that one Gotch was rather eclipsed one Cummins as the exponent of the modern "Iowa idea."—Milwaukee News.

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## THE RIDDLE

The Spinx propounded a riddle. "How can the other man with your income afford an auto?" she asked. Herewith she felt so bad she had them graved.—New York Sun.

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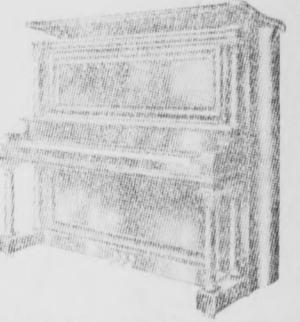
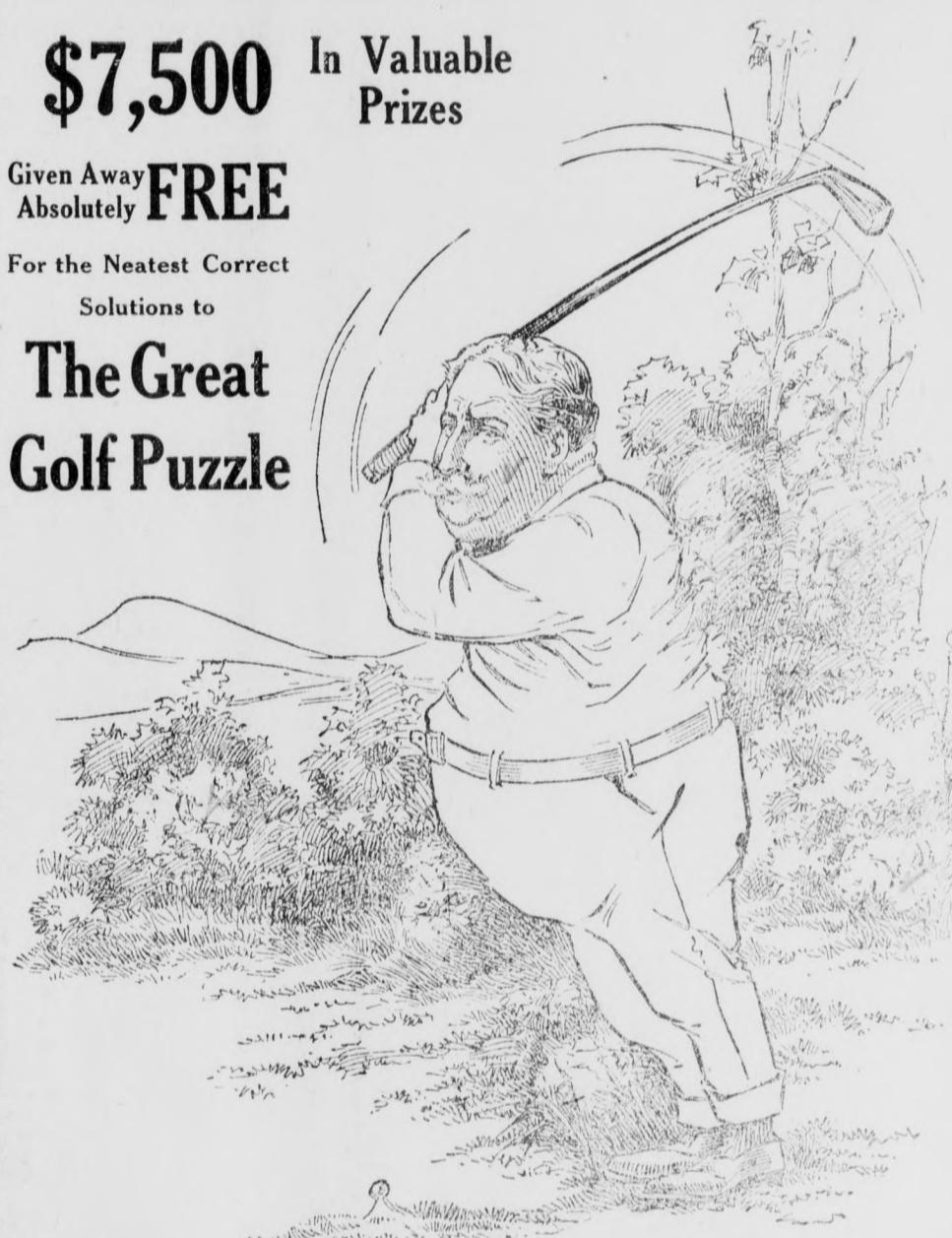
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A plan of annexation to Los Angeles is maturing that means something worth while to Tropico and neighbors to the southeast.

We elsewhere endeavor to give a fair synopsis of the amendments to the constitution of the state. We see nothing in any one of them that does not commend itself to the hearty approval of every voter.

If you are loyal to the principle of "no taxation without representation," you will vote to remove the obstacle to the exercise of women's right to vote from our otherwise soon-to-be model state constitution. "Let justice be done," etc.

The boys of the Examiner, Herald and Tribune surely got in a big "scoop" on the Times last Thursday morning. All three of them had full report of Governor Johnson's "monster meeting" at Temple auditorium of the night before, while The Times didn't have a word of it. What do you think of that.

Under recent rulings of the Supreme Court of the United States the Commandments are to have a new reading: Thou shalt not steal—unreasonably, or, thou shalt not covet—unreasonably. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God—in violation of the rule of reason. How nice of the great court to thus provide so convenient a way out of these little derelictions of poor human nature.

It is not too much to say that one-half of the taxable wealth of California is owned by its women citizens—under the law relating to the ownership of property by the community of husband and wife. Under the same law a valid grant of such property requires the wife's consent. Upon what principle then may it be taxed without her consent? If there is anything in the injustice of taxation without representation there is half the state's taxation unjustly levied.

The fifteen school children resident in Los Angeles school district, on or near Park avenue west of the Southern Pacific road, that city fails and refuses to provide with school privileges, have been afforded such privileges temporarily, by the order of the Tropico School Board—admitting them to their grammar school. If, at the end of thirty days, Los Angeles does not appropriate money for their tuition, the Tropico School Board will be compelled to exclude them from their school under the instructions of the County Superintendent.

A distinguished lawyer of this valley says he has too much regard for his wife to have her mix with men in election matters. In all probability she will never have occasion to. But he should remember that there are many women in the land not as fortunate as is she in having a husband of the eloquence and excellence of hers to fight their battles for them. He should remember, too, that there would be nothing lost in his struggles for the good of others to have the constitution of our great state confer upon everyone of its women citizens, his gentle wife included, the symbol of a sovereign queen in law, as she is in fact. England has her queenly sovereigns, why may not America?

## CONSTITUTION AMENDMENTS

Sample ballots of the proposed amendments to the state constitution, to be submitted for adoption to the vote of the electors of the state on Tuesday, October 10, 1911, are now in the hands of the voters.

The amendments proposed are 23 in number, and are arranged in numerical order with a brief synopsis of the object of them as follows:

1. Giving the legislature power to provide for state inspection of merchandise, weights and measures, (the better to secure purity and accuracy), a matter in which the people of the state generally are concerned.

2. Allowing the counties to adopt a charter for self government, in the interests of simplicity and economy, known as the County Home Rule Amendment.

3. Providing for a recess of thirty days, after the legislature shall have been in session one month, the object being to afford time for examination and consideration of bills. Under this amendment, hasty legislation would be obviated.

4. Removing the existing constitutional obstacle to women's voting.

5. Giving logging railroads the privilege of eminent domain for rights of way and other purposes; making them common carriers and placing them under the jurisdiction of the state railroad commission.

6. Allowing cities to amend their charters oftener than once in two years, facilitating and cheapening the adoption of charters, and allowing a borough system of government in cities of the first class. This amendment will enable the city and county of Los Angeles to adopt the borough system of government and help solve difficult problems.

7. Securing to the people the initiative and referendum, thus giving them the power to enact laws directly and to annul any act of the legislature.

8. Giving the people the recall—the right to remove any elective officer, judicial included, by a majority vote, for corruption or inefficiency, that may not amount to high crime or misdemeanor for which he may be impeached, if a judge though proving his unfitness for his position with equal emphasis.

9. Providing that no judgment shall be set aside, or new trial granted, in any criminal case, on the ground of misdirection of the jury or improper admission or exclusion of evidence, or for error in pleading or procedure, unless after examination of the entire cause, including the evidence, the court shall be of opinion that the error complained of has resulted in a miscarriage of justice.

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11. Allowing the legislature to extend tenure of office in the civil service of the state beyond the present period of four years; to abolish the "spoils system" and substitute the "merit system," in the civil service.

12. Authorizing the legislature to enlarge the powers of the railroad commission so as to extend its regulation of charges and rates to all public utility corporations such as the telephone, light, heat, water, power, etc.

13. Providing for the recall in consolidated city and county governments—affects San Francisco only.

14. Giving municipalities greater control over the use of streets by gas, water, electric lighting and other companies, providing for municipal ownership of all manner of public works or utilities and the regulation of charges for their use by private persons or corporations; also providing that a municipal corporation may furnish such services to inhabitants outside its boundaries.

15. Providing that state school books shall continue in use not less than four years after adoption without changing or alteration whatsoever will be added to the amount thereof.

16. Increasing the number of the railroad commissions from three to five, and providing for their appointment by the governor instead of election and further defining their qualifications, duties and powers in the matter of regulating passenger and transportation rates, also providing the removal by the legislature of any commissioner for cause.

17. Defining more clearly the rights of chartered cities to elect officers by majorities instead of by pluralities, providing that a city chartered

under the laws of the state may require a majority vote to elect.

18. Enabling the legislature to establish inferior courts of justice, with the same jurisdiction the constitution gives to justices' courts, in such districts as the legislature may determine, and prohibiting the fee system, providing that justices now holding office shall receive fees now allowed by law during their terms of office.

19. Giving the railroad commissioners and their employees, and also peace officers, right of free transportation, thus saving a large present expense to the state.

20. Providing that the clerk of the supreme court shall be appointed by the court instead of elected by popular vote.

21. Including the judges of the district courts of appeals among the judges now subject to impeachment by the legislature. This is distinct from the recall amendment, and provides the judges of the court of appeals shall be subject to the same penalties for high crimes and misdemeanors as other judicial officers.

22. Exempting from taxation property to the amount of \$1000 of residents who have served in the army, navy, etc., of the United States in times of war, and of the widows, etc., of such persons.

23. Providing that no railroad shall raise any rate except upon a showing before the railroad commission that such increase is justified, nor without consent of the commission, in any case; the judgment of the commission not to be subject to review by the courts save upon the question whether it is confiscatory. Also adopting the "long and short" haul provision of the interstate commerce act, so as to enable the state commission to correct abuses by the railroads against intermediate shipping points. Also enabling the state commission to compel a railroad to make preparation to shippers for discriminatory or excessive rates.

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## SOCIETY NOTES

Mrs. David Wheeler Nail and Miss Ruth Nail, after a delightful visit of two months as the guests of Mrs. David H. Imler and Miss Cora Hickman, at Palm Villa, left for their home at Herington, Kansas, Monday, stopping en route for a few days in Denver, Colorado.

Miss Florence Brace, of Santa Ana is spending the week as the guest of Mrs. Anna L. Smith at her home, Quinta Ana.

Mrs. Mary Nisbet, who has been spending the summer as the guest of her daughter, Mrs. James L. Fishback, left for her home in Topeka, Kan., the latter part of the week.

Mrs. J. E. Bahnenburg, of Twin Pines, is spending the month as the guest of her son, Dr. George Bahnenburg, at Bakersfield.

Mrs. J. E. Shuey was the guest of honor at a charming dinner party given by Mrs. Margaret Parks at her home in Los Angeles, Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Alfred Engelhardt and Miss Hilda Engelhard, who have been spending the past ten days as the guests of Mrs. David H. Imler, left for Brawley, Tuesday morning, where they will join Mr. Engelhardt who, with Burnell Hiller, left for the Engelhardt ranch, located near Brawley two weeks ago.

Mrs. Cora Hickman, accompanied Mrs. Engelhardt as Miss Hickman will spend the winter in Imperial as editor of the